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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

With this letter and pursuant to the authority delegated to me, I approve the following Amendment of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) 2002/03-2004/05 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

<u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
2	State, Local and Transit Elements <ul style="list-style-type: none">Adds or modifies various projects from various funding programs in Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, Santa Clara, San Francisco, San Mateo, Solano and Sonoma counties. The Amendment includes projects with funding from the Surface Transportation Program (STP), the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) program, Traffic Congestion Relief Program (TCRP), Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation (HBRR) program, Transportation Enhancement Activities (TEA), Emergency Repair (ER) program, Hazard Elimination Safety (HES) program, Railroad/Highway At-Grade Crossing Program (Section 130), Transportation Development Act (TDA), Federal Discretionary Program, Federal Demonstration Program and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 and 5311 Programs. See enclosure.

I am also recommending that the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration approve this FTIP Amendment No. 2 for inclusion into California's 2002/03-2004/05 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). Projects included in this FTIP in fiscal years not within the three-year cycle of the current FSTIP are not approved as part of this FTIP Amendment and are shown for information only. MTC has indicated that "Route 29/Trancas Street Interchange (MPO ID: NAP950004)" project is included in this

amendment for information only. Documentation from MTC indicating that this project was included and approved by MTC in January 2003 as part of MTC's 2002/03 to 2004/05 FTIP is enclosed. The State concurs with MTC's finding that this project is already a part of the approved FSTIP and no further state or federal action is needed.

The updated programming is for project types within Table 2 & 3 - Exempt Projects, of 40 CFR § 93.126 that are exempt from the conformity determination requirement. Therefore, this FTIP Amendment is consistent with the State Implementation Plan. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis. These projects are anticipated to be in the California Transportation Improvement Program System (CTIPS) in the next few weeks.

In accordance with existing law, public involvement procedures are a part of the project selection process. The MTC prepared this FTIP Amendment under that process permitting citizens, affected local agencies, other public agencies, and other interested parties reasonable opportunity for comment. This FTIP Amendment has completed the Association of Bay Area Governments Intergovernmental Review (IGR) process (documentation enclosed).

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Abhijit Bagde of my staff, at (916) 654-3638.

Sincerely,



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Chief

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Enclosures

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